Optional Parent & Professional Survey

For parents who might be interested in a focus group

The National Center for Children's Vision and Eye Health at Prevent Blindness is currently trying to understand the role of vision in the assessment process for special education. We are planning to hold focus groups in January and February with parents who have children with special needs and are ages 3-8 years old who have taken their child/children for eye care for a possible vision disorder (or are receiving on-going eye care). Please note that families of children with any learning need are eligible, as long as your child has received an eye exam or treatment. If this describes you, we'd like to talk with you! The focus group will run for 1 hour and you will receive a gift card to thank you for your participation. Your time is greatly appreciated. Please complete this short survey or let us know you are interested in the focus group.

For professionals to request completing the survey and participating in focus groups:

The <u>National Center for Children's Vision and Eye Health</u> at <u>Prevent Blindness</u> is currently trying to understand the role of vision in the assessment process for special education. We are seeking input from Head Start, school nurses, public health, school special education staff, and others who work with **children aged 3 through 8 years** who are being assessed for special education services. We want to learn about your processes for assessing vision, vision screening training, how referrals to eye care are made, and the kinds of professional education materials that the National Center for Children's Vision and Eye Health can develop. Please distribute this <u>survey</u> widely. It should take 15 minutes to complete.

Additionally, we will be holding focus groups with professionals. The focus group will run for a maximum of 1 hour. Please contact me at christiejok2020@u.northwestern.edu to get more information and sign up for a focus group.

For more information or any questions, please contact: Christie Jok, Intern, Prevent Blindness Christiejok2020@u.northwestern.edu